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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
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NOTICES OF FIRMS.
THE UNDERSIGNED begs to give Notice that he has SOLD THE STOCK-IN-TRADE AND GOODWILL OF THE BUSINESS OF THE LATE JOHN NOBLE to Messrs. C. J. GAUPP & CO.

Intimations.
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ENGINEERS, BOILER MAKERS, COPPER SMITHS, BRASS & IRON FOUNDERS, &c., &c.
WEST POINT IRON WORKS.

Intimations.
VICTORIA REGATTA.
TWENTY-EIGHTH MEETING.
Patron: His Excellency Sir GEORGE EDMONSON BOWEN, G.C.M.G.
Vice-Patrons: His Excellency Vice-Admiral WILLES, C.B., R.N.; His Excellency Major-General SARGENT, C.B.; His Excellency Sir GEORGE PAULIN, Knt., C.M.G.; His Excellency W. H. GUNN, R.N.; and The Honourable W. H. MARSH, C.M.G.
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Umpires and Starter:—Rowing: A. P. McLEWIS, Esq., and E. L. WOODIN, Esq.; Yacht: H. J. H. TRIPP, Esq.; Open Sailing Boats:—E. BURNIS, Esq., Judge of Sailing Races;—Lieut. BALLISTON, R.N.

SECOND DAY.
Saturday, 15th December, 1883.
FIRST RACE.—1 P.M.—For Gigs pulled by European Non-Commissioned Officers and Men of any Regiment or Corps in Garrison, or by European Members of the Police Force. Distance, One Mile. Entrance, \$1. First Prize, \$10; Second, \$5; Winner of Second Race on first day, and Outrigger Boats excluded.

SECOND RACE.—1.30 P.M.—International. "Challenge Cup."—For Four-Oared Canton Cutters. Distance, One Mile. Entrance, \$1. First Prize, \$10; Second, \$5; Winner of Second Race on first day, and Outrigger Boats excluded.

THIRD RACE.—2 P.M.—For Home Boats. Distance, One Mile. Entrance, \$1. First Prize, \$10; Second, \$5; Winner of Second Race on first day, and Outrigger Boats excluded.

FOURTH RACE.—2.30 P.M.—"American Cup." To be rowed in Canton Four-Oared Boats. Distance, One Mile. Entrance, \$1. First Prize, \$10; Second, \$5; Winner of Second Race on first day, and Outrigger Boats excluded.

FIFTH RACE.—3 P.M.—For Men-of-War Cutters. Distance, One Mile. Entrance, \$1. First Prize, \$10; Second, \$5; Winner of Second Race on first day, and Outrigger Boats excluded.

SIXTH RACE.—3.30 P.M.—"Ladies' Prize."—For Four-Oared Canton Cutters. Distance, One Mile. Entrance, \$1. First Prize, \$10; Second, \$5; Winner of Second Race on first day, and Outrigger Boats excluded.

SEVENTH RACE.—4 P.M.—To be rowed in 5 or 6-Oared Royal Naval Gigs or Whalers, by Officers of H. M. Fleet in harbour. Cup presented by the Members of the Hongkong Club. Time for race, 6 seconds per Oar.

REGATTA HOLIDAYS.
THE UNDERSIGNED BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business at Noon on FRIDAY and SATURDAY, the 14th and 15th INSTANTS.

For Sale.
CHRISTMAS 1883.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
HAVE RECEIVED AND HAVE NOW ON VIEW A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF
CHRISTMAS DELICACIES.
ARTICLES SUITABLE FOR PRESENTS
—AND—
FANCY GOODS.
Comprising:—
Real Turtle Soup, Salmon Cutlets, Kipperd Salmon, Herring in the Sardines, Sardines au Citron.
Jewel Cases, Fancy Pipes and Cigar Tubes, Pretty Travelling Bags, Work Bags and Baskets, Perfume Cases.
New Embossed Statuary, Afternoon Tea Services, Tea & Coffee Sets, China Figures and Vases, Children's Amusements, Duplex Lamps in newest designs, Presentation Books, Cabinet and Scrap Albums, Menu and Guest Cards, Oiler's Artistic China and Glassware.
Flower Brackets and Baskets, Pretty Tea and Coffee Sets, Flower Stands, New Electro-Plated Ware, Coffee and Tea Services, Table Decorations, latest designs and shades, A Handsome Drawing-room Fountain, Salad Bowls and Helpers, Epergnes.
Flower and Fruit Stands, New Centre Pieces, Dessert Sets, Wicker's Royal Charter Champagne, Krug's Private Cuvée Champagne, Lomond's Vin d'Or Champagne, Sparkling Moselle, Dry Sherries, Choice Bordeaux Wines, After Dinner Port, Burgundies, Hocks, Liqueurs, Brandy and Whiskies, &c., &c., &c.

SAYLE & Co.
FURNISHING DEPARTMENT.
WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED AND ARE NOW SHOWING THE FOLLOWING NEW GOODS:—
NEW DESIGNS IN BRUSSELS CARPETS with BORDERS and RUGS to Match.
A Large and Choice Assortment of AXMINSTER and SKIN HEARTH RUGS, Eiderdown QUILTS and PILLOWS.
TRAVELLING RUGS in great variety.
A Large Stock of BRASS and IRON BEDSTEADS.
Ebony and Walnut COAL VASSES.
Single and Double PERAMBULATORS.
The New "PATENT AIR LAMPS."
AUSTRIAN BENT WOOD FURNITURE.
FLOORLOTHS for HALLS, ROOMS and PASSAGES.
COCCA MATTING, all widths, COIR MATS, &c., &c., &c.
SAYLE & Co.,
VICTORIA EXCHANGE.
Hongkong, December 4, 1883.

CARLTON WHISKEY.
THESE GRAND OLD SCOTCH WHISKIES are shipped only by RICHARD MATTHEWS and COMPANY, of London and Inverness, who are sole possessors of the Brand "CARLTON." They are distilled from the finest Highland Malt only, and are in every respect equal to the best Cognac Brandy, and guaranteed to be entirely free from Foul Oil or other noxious impurities.
The following Letter has been received from the Secretary of the "CARLTON" CLUB.
CARLTON CLUB, Dec. 20, 1875.
Messrs. R. MATTHEWS & COMPANY.
GENTLEMEN,—In reply to your inquiry as to whether the Whiskey you are supplying to this Club is approved by the Members, the best answer I can give is that the consumption of this Whiskey in the Club has GREATLY INCREASED since it has been supplied by your firm. There can be no doubt whatever about the Whiskey being MOST EXCELLENT. It is Old and Soft, and I may safely say that it is much approved by the Members.
Yours obediently,
W. GRIFFIN SUTTON, Secretary.
CAUTION.—It has come to the knowledge of the Shippers of the "CARLTON" WHISKIES, that the empty Bottles have been dishonestly refilled with the poisonous trash very often sold in China under the name of Whiskey; this is therefore to caution consumers to CAREFULLY EXAMINE the Corks and Caps as to see they have not been tampered with; also that the Cork Capsules, and Labels are branded with their Trade Mark.
FOR PRICES AND TERMS APPLY TO CUTLER, PALMER & Co., AGENTS FOR CHINA.
SHIPPERS: RICHARD MATTHEWS & Co., "CARLTON" WHISKY MERCHANTS, LONDON.
1883 625 1w 1884

Intimations.
HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE.
ON and after the 1st OCTOBER, the PRICE OF ICE will be REDUCED to 14 Cents per pound.

Intimations.
NOTICE.
I HAVE This Day ESTABLISHED myself in this Colony as a SHARE and GENERAL BROKER.
HECTOR SAMPSON.
Hongkong, December 10, 1883.

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Auctions.
PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE UNDERSIGNED has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on
TUESDAY,
the 18th December, 1883, at 2 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,—
AN ASSORTMENT OF
JAPANESE WARE,
comprising:—
VASES, JARS, CHINA DISHES, INCENSE BURNERS, PLATES, TEA SETS, BIRD-SHIELD WARE, BONGOS, ORNAMENTS, EMERALD JEWELLERY, &c., &c., &c.
TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.
J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, December 13, 1883. 1123

PUBLIC AUCTION
OF
OLD CHINESE PORCELAINS,
BRONZES, JADES, &c., &c.
THE UNDERSIGNED will offer FOR SALE by PUBLIC AUCTION, on
FRIDAY,
the 21st December, 1883, the Sale commencing at 10.30 a.m., pausing at Noon, and resuming at 2 p.m.—
A VERY FINE AND EXTENSIVE COLLECTION OF OLD CHINA WARE, CURIOS, &c.
The same having just arrived in this Colony from the North of China, being a very careful and valuable collection made in PEKING and the NORTHERN PROVINCES of CHINA, and comprising:—
Old Ming Lacquer, Old Porcelains from the Ming Dynasty, the reigns of the Emperors KANG-HI, HONG-CHUNG and K'UNG-LING in FIVE-COLOURED and BLUE and WHITE VASES, JARS, DISHES, PLATES, BOWLS, PURE BLACK KANG-HI and BLACK and GOLD K'UNG-LING VASES, SANG DE BOEUF and FINE PORCELAINS.
Old BONGOS, BALBOO CARVINGS, and a quantity of very fine JADE, OLD PEKING EXAMELS (GLOUSNETS) CURIOS, &c., &c., &c.
Catalogues will be issued previous to the Sale, and the above will be on view on Thursday, the 20th Instant.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery.
G. R. LAMMEET, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, December 7, 1883. 1082

POSTPONEMENT.
"G. C. TRUFANT."
TO BE SOLD, at MANILA, by PUBLIC AUCTION, without reserve, for account of the concerned,
On a Day to be named hereafter, THE BRITISH SHIP
"G. C. TRUFANT."
As she now lies at her anchors in Manila Bay. HULL, MASTS, SPARS, RIGGING, SAILS, ANCHORS and CABLES, and all her other FURNITURE and APPAREL in One Lot.
Conditions of Sale may be had of
LLOYD'S AGENTS, Manila.
3rd December, 1883. 1049

For Sale.
FOR SALE.
JULES MUMME & Co.'s
CHAMPAGNE.
Quarts, \$18 per 1 doz. Case.
Pints, \$19 per 3 doz. " "
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Hongkong, November 1, 1881. 172

NOW ON SALE.
A CHINESE DICTIONARY
IN THE
CANTONESE DIALECT,
BY
DR. E. J. EITEL.
CHONG CHING, PP. 1018.
HONGKONG, 1877-1883.
Part I. A-K, \$2.50
Part II. K-M, \$2.50
Part III. M-T, \$2.50
Part IV. T-Y, \$2.50
A Reduction of ten per cent. will be allowed to purchasers of ten or more copies.

For Sale.
This Standard Work on the Chinese Language, constructed on the basis of Kanghi's Imperial Dictionary, contains all Chinese characters in practical use, and while alphabetically arranged according to the sounds of the oldest dialect of China, the Cantonese, it gives also the Mandarin pronunciation of all characters explained in the book, so that its usefulness is by no means confined to the Cantonese Dialect, but the work is a practically complete Thesaurus of the whole Written Language of China, ancient and modern, as used all over the Empire, whilst its introductory chapters serve the purposes of a philological guide to the student.
A Supplement, arranged for being bound and used by itself, and containing a List of the Radicals, an Index, and a List of Surpasses, will be published and sold separately.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,
Hongkong, January 15, 1883. 115

For Sale.
Pure, Fine-Flavoured Blend, Equal in Bouquet and Style to the French FRENCH BRANDY.
Sole Agent, Hongkong,
C. L. THEVENIN.
Hongkong, October 18, 1883. 765

For Sale.
Five Hundred to Six Hundred Tons COKE and COAL TAIL, in lots to suit, from one ton upwards.
OHIO CREW,
230, Praya West.
Hongkong, June 13, 1883. 1270

To Let.
GODOWN-STO LET.
PRAYA EAST and WANGHAI ROAD.
For Particulars, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.,
Hongkong, April 26, 1882. 707

To Let.
THE PREMISES now occupied by us, No. 11, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, will be despatched for the above For further Particulars apply to Messrs. RUSSELL & Co.
GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.,
Hongkong, August 1, 1883. 223

To Let.
"BISNEE VILLA" POKEOOLUVA, Furnished.
Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Hongkong, November 7, 1883. 874

Shipping.
STEAMERS.
FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.
The Steamship "Japan," Captain T. S. GARDNER, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 15th Instant, at 3 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, December 8, 1883. 1086

Shipping.
STEAMERS.
FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.
The Company's Chartered Steamship "Lennox," Captain SCOTT, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 15th Instant, at 3 p.m.
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Hongkong, December 8, 1883. 1084

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THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.
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For Sale.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.
No. 53, Queen's Road East,
(Opposite the OCHIMHARIAT),
ARE NOW LANDING
FROM AMERICA
CALIFORNIA
RAKERS
COMPANY'S BISCUITS in 5 lb
tins, and loose.
Soda BISCUITS.
Assorted BISCUITS.

Small HOMINY.
Cracked WHEAT.
OATMEAL.
CORNMEAL.
TOPOCAN BUTTER.
Apple BUTTER.
Bakers and California CHEESE.
Prime HAMS and BACON.
Eagle Brand Condensed MILK.
Family BEEF in 25 lb cans.
Bona Ideal SALMON in 5 lb cans.
Cutting a Dessert FRUITS in 2 lb cans.
Assorted Canned VEGETABLES.
Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage
MEAT.
Assorted PEPPERS.
Assorted SOUPS.
Richardson & Robbins's Celebrated Potted
MEATS.

Luncheon HAM.
Lamb's TONGUES.
Crown CHOWDER.
Fresh OREGON SALMON.
Dried APPLES.
TOMATOES.
SUCROTASH.
Maple SYRUP.
Golden SYRUP.
LOBSTERS.
OYSTERS.
HONEY.
Assorted JELLIES.
Green CORN.

FAIRBANKS' SCALES.
400 lb. Capacity.
1000 lb. " "
1500 lb. " "
1000 lb. " "

CORN-BROOMS.
OFFICE HIGH CHAIRS.
AXES and HATCHETS.
AGATE IRON WARE.
WAFLE IRONS.
SMOOTHING IRONS.
PAINTS and OILS.
TALLOW and TAR.
VARNISHES.

DEVOE'S NONPAREIL
BRILLIANT
KEROSENE OIL,
150° test.

Ex late Arrivals from
ENGLAND.
A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF
STOKES,
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CHRISTMAS CAKES.
PLUM PUDDINGS.
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Crystallized FRUITS.
TINYKONKA'S DESSERT FRUITS.
Pudding RAISINS.
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Fine YORK HAMS.
PICNIC TONGUES.
PATE DE FOIE GRAS.
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FRENCH PLUMS.
BROWN.
INFANT FOOD.
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SPARTAN
COOKING STOVES.

HITCHCOCK HOUSE LAMP.
PERFECTION STUDENT LAMP.

CLARETS.
CHATEAU MARGAUX.
CHATEAU LA TOUR, pints & quarts.
LES GRAVES.
BREAKFAST CLARET, " "

SHERRIES & PORT.
SACCOE'S MANZANILLA & AMON-
TILLADO.
SACCOE'S OLD INVALID PORT
(1842).
Hunt's PORT.

BRANDY, WHISKY, LIQUEURS, &c.
1 and 4-star HENNESSY'S BRANDY.
Bisquit Dubouché & Co.'s BRANDY.
FINE OLD BOURBON WHISKY.
KINAHAN'S LI WHISKY.
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BONNY'S OLD TOM.
E. J. BURKE'S IRISH WHISKY.
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NOLLY PRAT & Co.'s VERMOUTH.
CHABRE'S GINGER BRANDY.
EASTERN CIDER.
CHARTREUSE.
MARASCHINO.
OUTRACAO.
ANGOSTURA, BAKER'S and ORANGE
BITTERS.
&c., &c., &c.

BASS'S ALE, bottled by CAMERON and
SAUNDERS, pints and quarts.
GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. &
J. BOWKE, pints and quarts.
DRAKE ALE and PORTER, by the
Gallon.
ALE and PORTER, in hogheads.

SPECIAL SELECTED
CIGARS.

Fine New Season's CUMSHAW TEA, in
5 centy Boxes.
BREAKFAST CONGOU at 25 cents p. lb.

MIRIAM'S PATENT FIRE-PROOF
SAVES, CASH and PAPER
BOXES, at Manufacturer's Prices.

Hongkong, December 14, 1883. 1043

Mails.

STEAM MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.
STEAM TO NAGASAKI AND KOBE,
VIA INLAND SEA.
(Taking Cargo and Passengers for YOKO-
HAMA.)

THE S.S. TAKACHIMO MARU, Capt.
N.Y. due here on or about the
10th Instant, will be despatched as above
on FRIDAY, the 21st December, at 4 p.m.
Cargo received on board and Parcels at
the Office up to 1 p.m. of day of sailing.
No Bill of Lading signed under \$2
Freight.
All Claims must be settled on board
before delivery is taken, otherwise they
will not be recognized.
Cargo and Passengers for Yokohama
will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail
Steamer at Kobe.
For further Particulars, apply at the
Company's Office, Praya Central, Ground
Floor of Messrs Russell & Co.
II. J. H. TRIPP,
Agent.
Hongkong, December 12, 1883. 1100

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG,
COLOMBO, ADEN, MARSEILLES,
MALTA, GIBRALTAR,
BRINDISI, TRIESTE, VENICE,
PLYMOUTH AND LONDON;
ALSO,
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND
AUSTRALIA.
N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills
of Lading for BATAVIA, PESEAN,
GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES,
PRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK
AND BOSTON.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
KALISAR-HIND, Captain E. G. STEAR,
with Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched
from this office for LONDON, via BOMBAY
and SUEZ CANAL, on TUESDAY, the
25th December, at 4 p.m.
Cargo will be received on board until
10 a.m. on the day of sailing.
Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office
until 10 a.m. on the day of sailing.
Silk and Valuables for Europe will be
transhipped at Colombo; Tea and General
Cargo for London will be conveyed
via Bombay without transhipment, arriving
one week later than by the ordinary direct
route via Colombo.
For further Particulars, regarding
FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply to the
PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVI-
GATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.
The Contents and Value of Packages are
required to be declared prior to shipment.
Shippers are particularly requested to
note the terms and conditions of the Com-
pany's Bill of Lading.
N.B.—This Steamer takes Cargo and Pas-
sengers for MARSEILLES.
A. MOLVER, Superintendent.
Hongkong, December 12, 1883. 1113

Insurance.

NOTICE.
**QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COM-
PANY.**

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept
Risks on First Class Goods at 3
percent net premium per annum.
NORTON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, May 10, 1881. 998

**THE STRAITS INSURANCE COM-
PANY, LIMITED.**

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Company are
prepared to GRANT POLICIES on MARINE
RISKS to all parts of the World, at current
rates.
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Hongkong, November 6, 1883. 855

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS. Dec. 14, 1883.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid- up.	Reserve.	Working Account.	Last De- vidend.	Closing Quota- tions, Cash.
BANKS.							
11K. and S'hai Bank.	60,000	125	125	3,108,336	52,500.62	£2	182 3/4 = \$352 1/2
INSURANCES.							
Shi. China Ins.	1,000 Tl.	2,000 Tl.	600 Tl.	400,000 Tl.	236,464.77	Tl. 75	Tl. 1256 p. sh.
Yungtze Ins.	1,200 Tl.	350 Tl.	350 Tl.	538,235 Tl.	3,059.76	Tl. 18	Tl. 1000
China Ins. Soc.	2,000	1,250	125	500,000	576,301.06	18.20	\$320 "
China Traders Insurance.	24,000	83.33	25	600,000	107,111.65	22 1/2	\$71 "
C'lon Ins. Office	10,000	200	50	500,000	506,127.77	10 1/2	\$112 "
Chinese Ins. Co.	1,500	1,000	200	100,378	Debit balance	3	\$200 "
HK. Fire Ins.	8,000	280	50	851,096	250,732.56	\$20	\$260 "
China Fire Ins.	20,000	100	20	500,000	106,366.49	\$3.60	\$73 "
STEAM COMPANIES.							
HK. C. and M. Steamship.	8,000	100	75	200,000	41,320.95	6 1/2	\$124 "
Indo-China S. Nav. Co.	120,000	10	10	Debit.		25	dis.
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.	3,500	\$100	all			5	prn.
MOSBELLANBOUR. HK. & Wh'pon Dock.	10,000	125	125	\$18,000	2,083.04	4 1/2	57 1/2 prn. = \$106 1/2
HK. and China (Gas Co.)	5,000	10	10	10,477,758.14	1,144.18		\$80 p. share
HK. Hong Hotel.	2,000	100	100	30,000		\$3	\$150 "
China Sugar Co.	9,000	100	100		5,895.56	\$3	\$134 "
HK. Hong Ice Co.	1,250	100	100	15,250	687.06	\$12	\$155 "
HK. Hong Bakery Lauzon Super Co.	600	50	50	4,000	253.45	\$5	\$82 "
Perak Tin Min- ing & Smelting Company.	3,000	50	all		4,090.65	\$90	" "
LOANS.							
Ch. Imp., 1874	6,276 1/2	100	all	8	June 30 Dec 31		
" 1875	10,040 1/2	100	all	8	Feb. 28 Aug. 31		
" 1876	9,820 1/2	100	all	8	April 1 Oct. 1		
" 1881	9,865 Tl.	500	all	8	Jan 1 Oct. 1		par.
Sugar Deben- tures, 1880.	600	500	all	3	June & Dec.		2 1/2 prn.

* For 6 months to 30th June.—Dividend for 1882 and Bonus of 25 per cent.—To 30th April
1883.—For 1881.—For half year ended 30th June 1883.
EDWARD GEORGE, Share Broker.

Mails.

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.
STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, ADEN, SOEZ, ISMAILIA,
PORT SAID, SYRIAN PORTS,
NAPLES, MARSEILLES, AND PORTS
OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA;
ALSO
BOMBAY.

ON TUESDAY, the 18th December,
1883, at Noon, the Company's
S.S. SINDH, Commandant LEGUENNE,
with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above place.
Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the
principal places of Europe.
Shipping Orders will be granted until
Noon of 17th December.
Cargo will be received on board until 4
p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the
17th December. (Parcels are not to be
sent on board; they must be left at the
Agency's Office).
Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.
For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, December 6, 1883. 1070

Notices to Consignees.

FROM LONDON, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Glenavon* having ar-
rived from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby informed that their
Goods, with the exception of Opium, are
being landed at their risk into the Godowns
of the Undersigned, whences and/or from the
Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before
Noon To-day, the 13th December.
Cargo remaining undelivered after the
20th Instant will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, December 13, 1883. 1115

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.
FROM LONDON, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Pendrokhire*, DANIEL,
Commandant, having arrived from the
above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
informed that all Goods, with exception of
Opium, are being landed at their risk into
the Godowns of the Undersigned, at Wan-
chai, No. 3, behind the premises known as
"Blue Buildings," whences and/or from the
Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, un-
less notice to the contrary be given before
Noon To-day.
No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods
remaining after the 20th Instant will be
subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 13, 1883. 1116

FROM ANTWERP, BORDEAUX AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Rossini*, McCRECHT,
Commandant, having arrived from the
above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
informed that all Goods, with exception of
Opium, are being landed at their risk into
the Godowns of the Undersigned, at Wan-
chai, No. 3, behind the premises known as
"Blue Buildings," whences and/or from the
Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, un-
less notice to the contrary be given before
Noon To-day.
No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods
remaining after the 16th Instant will be
subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 10, 1883. 1097

THE LONDON ASSURANCE
COMPANY.
(FIRE AND LIFE.)
CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms
and Conditions.
Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.
If required, protection will be granted on
first class Lives up to £2000 on a Single
Life.
For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
posals or any other information, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
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Hongkong, January 4, 1867. 100

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ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Hongkong, November 6, 1883. 855

Intimations.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE,
LIMITED.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
IN Accordance with Section 120 of the
Articles of Association, the General
Agents, with the approval of the Consulting
Committee, will on 1st JANUARY, 1884,
issue INTEREST WARRANTS of 50 per
Share, Payable at the Hongkong and Shang-
hai Bank, (the same being at the Rate of
10 per Annum, on the Paid-up Capital of
the Office for the year 1883, and Notice is
hereby given that in Order that the same
may be adjusted the Transfer BOOKS of
the Office will be CLOSED from the 18th
to 31st Instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents,
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.
Hongkong, December 12, 1883. 1114

VICTORIA HOTEL.
Proprietors:
DORAJEE & HING KEE,
late Lessees of the Hongkong Hotel.

THIS HOTEL is situated on the Praya
Central in the centre of the principal
Business localities and commands a magni-
ficent view of the Harbour and surround-
ing scenery. From its detached position,
perfect ventilation has been secured, and
the whole of the ROOMS being Commodi-
tious and furnished with every Requisite
and Comfort, afford most desirable Accom-
modation.
The BAR, BILLIARD ROOM, and
DINING ROOMS are fitted up in a
superior manner, and are all under Eu-
ropean Supervision and Management.
The TABLE D'HOTE is supplied with
every delicacy of the Season, and most
satisfactory attendance. WINES and
LIQUORS of the best Qualities and
Brands only are supplied. Arrangements
for BALLS, BANQUETS, DINNERS
and PICNICS made on the most Reason-
able Terms. The long and almost exclu-
sive experience of the Proprietors, and the
wide Reputation they have gained, are a
sufficient guarantee that satisfaction will
be given in this Branch.
With every facility for making suitable
Arrangements at Reasonable Prices, either
for permanent or weekly Boarders, the
Hotel is particularly adapted for the Com-
munity of Hongkong for a continuance of
the generous Patronage bestowed on them
during the past eleven years.
Hongkong, November 20, 1883. 954

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
A Second and Final BONUS of FIVE
percent on Contributions, and a
DIVIDEND of EIGHTEEN DOLLARS and
TWENTY-NINE CENTS per Share for the year
1882 will be Payable on MONDAY, the
22nd Instant.

WARRANTS may be had on application at
the Offices of the Society on and after that
date.
By Order of the Board,
DOUGLAS JONES,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, October 22, 1883. 767

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY.

QUARANTINE AT EGYPTIAN AND
CONTINENTAL PORTS.

ARRANGEMENTS have been made for
passing the Company's Steamers
through the SUEZ CANAL IN QUARANTINE,
thus avoiding any detention in Egypt.
The Homeward Mails are now being landed
at Venice, but the QUARANTINE which is
still imposed at this and all other CONTI-
NENTAL Ports prevents the landing of Pas-
sengers, and those travelling by the Com-
pany's Steamers are advised to remain on
board the Vessel which calls on MARSEILLES
en route—stoppage a few hours only to dis-
charge Cargo—and proceed in her direct to
London, thus avoiding all QUARANTINE
delays and inconveniences.
The Passages of the Steamers will be ac-
celerated, and they will not call at Malta
or GIBRALTAR.
A. MOLVER,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, September 6, 1883. 491

Insurance.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS of the above
Company, are authorized to insure
against FIRE at Current Rates.
GILMAN & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1882. 14

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE
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Hongkong, January 4, 1867. 100

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Hongkong, November 6, 1883. 855

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL.
DAVIS & D'ARNOIS, Lessees.
THIS EVENING,
the 14th December, 1883.
GRAND FASHIONABLE NIGHT.

THE LOFFUS TROUPE
AND
DISTINGUISHED AMATEURS
will have the honour of producing
For the First Time in Hongkong
"LA MASCOTTE,"
A COMEDY OPERA IN 3 ACTS, BY
AUDRAN,
Adapted for the Loffus Troupe by
J. CHAS. DAVIS.
from the Translation of Prof. Andra of the
Royal College, Maritimes.
COSTUMES, DESIGNS, STAGE BUSI-
NESS, PLANS or SCENERY,
&c., &c., &c.,
taken from the prompt Book used in the
Original production in Paris.
"LA MASCOTTE."

CAST.
LAURENT XVII.—Mr. Jas. Maas.
PIRE—A Shepherd.—J. D'Angelis.
PRINCE FRITELLINI.—Crown Prince of Pisa.—F. W. Oakland.
ROCCO—A Farmer.—C. J. Barber.
MATHÉO—An Inn
keeper.—Gentleman Amateur.
PARAPANTE—A Ser-
vant.—Mr. Bartley O'Brien.
TIRO—A Soldier.—Gentleman Amateur.
MARCO—Ditto.—"
GIUSEPPE—A Peasant.
FIAMMETTA—Lau-
rent's Daughter.—Miss Minnie Nord.
BETTINA—A Country
Girl, La Mascotte.—Victoria Loftus.
LUCIA—Pages.—Florence Coniffe.
CARLO.—Dolly Loftus.
PAOLA—A Peasant.—Myra Sydnors.
CHORUS OF PEASANTS, SOLDIERS, HUNSMEN,
and VILLAGERS, BY
DISTINGUISHED AMATEURS.
Act 1st.
ROCCO'S FARM.—(SPRING).
Act 2nd.
LAURENT'S PALACE.—(SUMMER).
Act 3rd.
THE CAMP OF PRINCE FRITELLINI.
—(MID-WINTER).
AT THE FOOT OF THE APPENNINES.
ELEGANT COSTUMES.
Instrumental Music under the direction of
FLO. WILLIAM BLAKENEY.

Plan of the House at KELLY & WALSH'S,
J. CHAS. DAVIS,
Manager.
Hongkong, December 14, 1883. 1106

ESCALAP,
THE ONLY PALATABLE APERIENT
NATURAL MINERAL WATER,
IN PILLS AND QUARTS.
A. S. WATSON & Co.,
Hongkong Dispensary.
Hongkong, December 13, 1883. 1120

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW AND BANGKOK.
THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Company's Steamer
"Fathian,"
Captain J. JORDAN, will
be despatched for the
above Ports on MONDAY, the 17th Instant,<

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... started.

Distance, One Mile. Entrance

100, \$5. Modora. Levi's

B. Wade,

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3. Parcels are as a general rule forwarded by Private Ship, not by Contract Mail Packet. To India they are forwarded by the P. & O. and Indian Mail Packets only, to Ceylon by P. & O. only. No responsibility is accepted with regard to any parcel, unless registered, and then only to the amount of £10.

4. The public are cautioned not to confound these facilities with a Parcel Post to Europe, &c., which does not exist.

It is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed.

1. No Letter or Packet, whether to be registered or unregistered, can be received for Postage if it contains gold or silver money, jewels, precious articles, or anything that, as a general rule, is liable to Customs duties.

2. This Regulation prohibits the sending of Patterns of dutiable articles, unless the quantity sent be so small as to make the sample of no value.

3. The limits of weight allowed are as follows:—

Books and Papers to British Offices, 5 lbs.; to the Continent, &c., 4 lbs. Patterns to British Offices, 5 lbs. if without intrinsic value; to the Continent, &c., 8 oz.

Penalties for the Loss of a Registered Article. The Post Office is not legally responsible for the safe delivery of Registered correspondence, but it is prepared to make good the contents of such correspondence lost while passing through the Post, to the extent of \$10, in certain cases, provided:—

1. That the sender duly observed all the conditions of Registration required.

2. That the letter was securely enclosed in a reasonably strong envelope.

3. That application was made to the Postmaster General of Hongkong immediately the loss was discovered, the envelope being invariably forwarded with such application unless it also is lost.

4. That the Postmaster General is satisfied that the loss occurred whilst the correspondence was in the custody of the British Postal administration in China, that it was not caused by any fault on the part of the sender, by destruction by fire, or shipwreck, or by the dishonesty or negligence of any person not in the employment of the Hongkong Post Office.

5. No compensation can be paid for mere damage to fragile articles such as portraits, watches, handily bound books, &c., which reach their destination, although in a broken or deteriorated condition.

Chair, Jinricksha, and Boat Hire.

REGULATED TARIFF OF FARES FOR CHAIRS, CHAIR BEARERS, AND BOATS, IN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG.

Chairs and Ordinary Pullaway Boats. Half hour, ... 10 cts. Hour, ... 20 cts. Three hours, ... 50 cts. Six hours, ... 70 cts. Day (from 6 to 6), One Dollar.

TO VICTORIA FEAR. Single Trip. Four Coolies, ... \$1.00. Three Coolies, ... 0.85. Two Coolies, ... 0.70.

Return (direct or by Pok-fu Lam). Four Coolies, ... \$1.50. Three Coolies, ... 1.20. Two Coolies, ... 1.00.

TO VICTORIA GAY (TO LEVEL OF UMBRELLA BEAT). Single Trip. Four Coolies, ... \$0.60. Three Coolies, ... 0.50. Two Coolies, ... 0.40.

Return (direct or by Pok-fu Lam). Four Coolies, ... \$1.00. Three Coolies, ... 0.85. Two Coolies, ... 0.70.

The Return Fare embraces a trip of not more than three hours.

For every hour or part of an hour above three hours, each Coolie will be entitled to an additional payment of 5 cents.

Day Trip (Peak), ... \$0.75 each Coolie. (12 hours) Gap, ... \$0.60 each Coolie.

Jinricksha. Quarter of an hour or less, ... 5 cts. Half an hour, ... 10 cts. One hour, ... 15 cts. Three hours, ... 50 cts. Six hours, ... 70 cts. One day (12 hours), ... 1.50.

Per trip to Shaikwan or Pokfulam, from the centre of the Town, ... 20 cts. Return, ... 35 cts.

Per trip to Aberdeen, from the centre of the Town, ... 25 cts. Return, ... 40 cts.

If an Extra Coolie is employed, there will be an addition of half the above scale to pay. Nothing in this scale prevents private agreements.

Licensed Bearers (each). Hour, ... 10 cents. Half day, ... 30 cents. Day, ... 50 cents.

BOAT AND COOLIE HIRE. 1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900 piculs, per Day, ... \$3.00. 1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900 piculs, per Load, ... 2.00. 2nd Class Cargo Boat of 600 piculs, per Day, ... 2.50. 2nd Class Cargo Boat of 600 piculs, per Load, ... 1.75. 3rd Class Cargo Boat of 400 piculs, per Day, ... 1.50. 3rd Class Cargo Boat of 400 piculs, per Load, ... 1.00. 3rd Class Cargo Boat of 400 piculs, per Day, ... 1.00. 3rd Class Cargo Boat of 400 piculs, per Load, ... 0.50.

Small Parcels may be sent by Post at Book Rates between Hongkong and any of the British Post Offices in China, as well as to Japan, Macao, Peking, the Straits Settlements, Ceylon and India. They must not exceed the following dimensions: 2 feet long, 1 foot broad, 1 foot deep, which more than 5 lbs., nor be smaller than 3 in. by 2 in. Such parcels may be wholly closed if they bear this special endorsement, PARCEL, CONTAINING NO LETTERS, but any parcel may be opened by direction of the Postmaster General. In the case of parcels for India a declaration of contents and value is required, a printed form for which is supplied gratis. The Registration of Parcels for India and Ceylon is compulsory.

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Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A., near the Kowloon shore K., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked C., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section. 1. From Green Island to the Gas Works. 2. From Gas Works to the P. & O. Co.'s Factory. 3. From P. & O. Co.'s Factory to the Harbour Master's Office. 4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. & O. Co.'s Office. 5. From P. & O. Co.'s Office to Paddar's Wharf. 6. From Paddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard. 7. From Naval Yard to the Pier. 8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignee or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Chi Yuen	4 c Wallace	1193	Dec. 13	M. S. N. Co.	Swatow and Amoy	To-day
City of Tokio	4 c Darnborn	6079	Dec. 13	M. S. N. Co.	Yokohama & San Francisco	To-day
Coptic	5 c Killybeg	2738	Nov. 9	O. & O. S. S. Co.	Bombay, &c.	17th inst.
Danah	5 c Killybeg	561	Nov. 22	Yuen Fat Hong	Swatow, &c.	To-day
Deacon	5 c Purdy	1639	Dec. 12	Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai	To-day
Emu	5 c Remonteria	414	June 30	Remontes & Co.	Swatow, &c.	To-day
Fame	5 c Stopani	117	Dec. 12	H. K. & W. P. Dock Co.	Swatow, &c.	To-day
Fokien	5 c Harris	609	Dec. 12	Douglas Steamship Co.	Shanghai	To-day
Fungshun	5 c Tisdall	802	Dec. 14	M. S. N. Co.	Swatow, &c.	To-day
Glenawon	5 c Dunne	1036	Dec. 12	Jardine Matheson & Co.	Hoihow, &c.	To-day
Hanan	5 c Woore	251	Nov. 28	Alford & Co.	Straits and Calcutta	To-morrow
Japan	5 c Gardner	1865	Dec. 4	David Sassoon & Sons & Co.	Straits and Calcutta	To-morrow
Lee Yung	5 c Clum	150	June 10	Chinase	Straits and Calcutta	To-morrow
Lennox	5 c Scott	1327	Dec. 4	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Straits and Calcutta	To-morrow
Menais	5 c Brown	1247	Dec. 11	Adams, Bell & Co.	Straits and Calcutta	To-morrow
Ocean	5 c Brown	1247	Dec. 11	Adams, Bell & Co.	Straits and Calcutta	To-morrow
Pilot Fish	5 c Villacastin	575	Dec. 12	Russell & Co.	Straits and Calcutta	To-morrow
Pingon	5 c Irvine	612	Dec. 12	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Straits and Calcutta	To-morrow
Saltang	5 c Aranguen	338	Dec. 12	A. R. Marry	Straits and Calcutta	To-morrow
Sea Gull	5 c Haydon	1992	Nov. 18	Russell & Co.	Straits and Calcutta	To-morrow
Solembria	5 c Fowler	862	Dec. 12	Yuen Fat Hong	Swatow, &c.	To-day
Taichow	5 c Jordon	1092	Dec. 12	Butterfield & Swire	Singapore, &c.	To-day
Taiwan	5 c Cutler	820	Dec. 12	Douglas Steamship Co.	Singapore, &c.	To-day
Thales	5 c Cook	137	Oct. 11	Edward Schollhaus & Co.	Shanghai	To-day
Tromp	5 c Benois	1003	Nov. 25	Messageries Maritimes	Shanghai	To-day
Yungshing	5 c Andrews	761	Dec. 13	M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	To-day

Sailing Vessels							
Alice Mary	2 c	Davis	Brit. bge.	361	Nov. 26	Russell & Co.	Victoria, B.C.
Anna	2 c	Jessen	Ger. bge.	447	Nov. 30	Wiel & Co.	
Anna Bertha	2 c	Krause	Ger. bge.	480	Dec. 3	Siemens & Co.	Singapore
Anna Dorothea	2 c	Tonson	Ger. bge.	343	Dec. 3	Wiel & Co.	
Annetin	2 c	Repetto	Ital. bge.	474	Dec. 4	D. Musao & Co.	
Antich	2 c	Wyman	Amer. bge.	953	Nov. 23	Ord	
Asteria	3 c	Cox	Brit. bge.	211	Sept. 20	Order	
Bonito	3 c	Hesse	Ger. bge.	324	Nov. 18	Wiel & Co.	Cebu
Bongu	3 c	Kildahl	Norw. bge.	665	Dec. 2	Russell & Co.	Cebu
C. B. Carver	3 c	Dow	Amer. sh.	1100	Dec. 8	Thomas Rowe & Smith	
Channel Queen	3 c	Lacheur	Brit. bge.	609	Dec. 13	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	
Comet	3 c	Siegner	Ger. sh.	1083	Nov. 2	Captain	
Elisabeth	3 c	Brner	Ger. sh.	1170	Nov. 30	Melchers & Co.	
Ed König	2 c	Kirsch	Ger. bge.	456	Dec. 8	Siemens & Co.	Singapore
Gesue Bruns	3 c	Laumann	Ger. bge.	400	Nov. 14	Wiel & Co.	
Henary	3 c	Thomson	Br. 3m. sch.	283	Dec. 6	Wiel & Co.	
Hansa	2 k	Louanderreen	Ger. bge.	499	Nov. 25	Wiel & Co.	
Hayin Brown	3 c	Havener	Amer. bge.	821	Oct. 15	Russell & Co.	
Helma	2 k	Hansen	Brit. bge.	556	Nov. 25	Siemens & Co.	Honolulu
Hermann	2 c	Traulsen	Ger. bge.	444	Dec. 3	Wiel & Co.	
Hieronymus	4 c	Kent	Amer. bge.	425	Dec. 1	Captain	
J. A. Forland	3 c	Inland	Ger. bge.	670	Sept. 8	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	New York
Maria	3 c	Tenningson	Ger. 3m. sc.	355	Nov. 26	Wiel & Co.	
Mahlide	3 c	Tenningson	Ger. 3m. sc.	355	Nov. 25	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	Coolao
Michael Solchau	2 c	Gerstenberg	Dan. bge.	447	Nov. 23	Wiel & Co.	
Mount Lebanon	3 c	Nelson	Brit. htkine.	530	Oct. 12	Rozario & Co.	Coolao
N. Gibson	3 c	Bailey	Amer. bge.	704	Nov. 25	Horned & Co. Limited	Coolao
Nellie M. Slade	3 c	Coult	Amer. bge.	500	Nov. 25	Russell & Co.	
Nellie May	2 c	Austin	Amer. bge.	664	Nov. 30	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	
Omgar	2 c	Brown	Brit. bge.	480	Nov. 25	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	
Onida	3 c	Carver	Amer. sh.	1130	Oct. 27	Russell & Co.	New York
Osaka	2 c	Lowe	Brit. bge.	527	Nov. 23	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	
Rachel	2 c	Affech	Brit. bge.	282	Nov. 30	Chinase	
Roderick Hay	2 k	Nicolson	Brit. bge.	306	Nov. 30	Turner & Co.	
Sachsen	7 c	Doane	Amer. bge.	1380	Nov. 4	P. O. S. N. Co.	
Santa	3 c	Schade	Ger. bge.	638	Dec. 1	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	
Saturnus	3 c	Schade	Ger. bge.	608	Dec. 5	Siemens & Co.	
Sibirien	4 c	Johannsen	Ger. bge.	367	Dec. 1	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	
Spartan	8 h	Vincent	Amer. sch.	85	May 30	W. H. Ray	
Twilight	3 c	Warland	Amer. sh.	1263	June 8	Adams, Bell & Co.	
Velocity	3 c	Martin	Brit. bge.	490	Nov. 20	Fustan & Co.	
Wildwood	3 c	Sawyer	Amer. bge.	1059	Sept. 23	M. B. M. S. S. Co.	
Yoneda	3 c	Super	Amer. sh.	1202	Aug. 3	P. O. S. N. S. Co.	Havre and London